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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Thursday, 7 November 1996

SECURITY COUNCIL

10.30 a.m. consultations of the whole
(closed) Consultation Room

Briefing by Dr. Hans Blix, Director-General of the International Atomic Energy Agency

Briefing by Mr. Iqbal Riza, Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Coordinator of United Nations operations in Bosnia and Herzegovina

The situation in the Great Lakes region

Other matters

Announcement

The Presidency of the Security Council will conduct an informal briefing on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council at 3 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays during the month of November, except on those days when no consultations of the whole of the Council are scheduled. *Today's* briefing will take place in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

3 p.m.-
6 p.m.

17th meeting

Conference
Room 3

Introduction and consideration of draft resolutions submitted on all disarmament and international security agenda items 60, 61, 63-81:

Agenda items [60] (A/51/27, 208-S/1996/543, 1017-S/1996/632, A/C.1/51/L.36); [61] (A/51/179, 209, A/C.1/51/L.47); [62]; [63] (A/C.1/51/L.20 and Rev.1); [64] (A/51/529, A/C.1/51/L.34); [65]; [66] (A/51/27, 123, 127, 131, 163, 167, 174, 208-S/1996/543, 262, 412, A/C.1/51/4, 5, 8); [67] (A/51/113-S/1996/276, 117-S/1996/290, 216-S/1996/563, 286, A/C.1/51/L.28); [68] (A/51/176, A/C.1/51/13, A/C.1/51/L.6); [69] (A/51/27, 163, 262, A/C.1/51/13, A/C.1/51/L.30); [70]; (A/51/27, 262, A/C.1/51/L.43); [71] (A/51/27, 42, 60-S/1996/62, 69-S/1996/122, 72-S/1996/148, 77-S/1996/181, 127, 131, 136, 137, 139, 157, 159-S/1996/418, 163, 165-S/1996/435, 167, 169-S/1996/444, 174, 181, 188-S/1996/511, 207, 208-S/1996/543, 214, 218, 220, 224, 262, 266-S/1996/621, 279, 300, Add.1 and Add.2, 393, 452, 462-S/1996/831, A/C.1/51/7, 11, 12, 13, A/C.1/51/L.3*, L.4, L.7, L.11*, L.12, L.14, L.16, L.17, L.18, L.21, L.24, L.29, L.31, L.35, L.37, L.38, L.39, L.41, L.44, L.45, L.46, L.48); [72] (A/51/27, 60-S/1996/62, 69-S/1996/122, 72-S/1996/148, 77-S/1996/181, 137, 188-S/1996/511, 219, 274-S/1996/631, 287, 403, 445, A/C.1/51/L.8, L.10, L.15, L.19 and Rev.1, L.26* and Rev.1, L.32); [73] (A/51/27, 42, 86-S/1996/216, 137, 175, 182, 346-S/1996/740, 352, 364, A/C.1/51/L.1 and Rev.1, L.5, L.25); [74] (A/51/446, A/C.1/51/L.27*); [75] (A/51/139, 254, A/C.1/51/L.40); [76] (A/51/210, 230 and Corr.1, A/C.1/51/L.33); [77] (A/51/29, A/C.1/51/L.13); [78] (A/C.1/51/L.9*); [79] (A/51/117-S/1996/290, 151, A/C.1/51/L.23); [80] (A/C.1/51/L.2); [81] (A/51/60-S/1996/62, 89, 137, 202-S/1996/537, 318-S/1996/706, 351-S/1996/744, 401-S/1996/782, 461-S/1996/830, 537-S/1996/867, 550-S/1996/872, A/C.1/51/13, A/C.1/51/L.22, L.42)

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION
COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)10 a.m.-
1 p.m.

10th meeting

Conference
Room 13 p.m.-
6 p.m.

11th meeting

Conference
Room 1

Questions relating to information [87] (A/51/21, A/51/406)

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-
1 p.m.

29th meeting

Conference
Room 2

1. Sustainable development and international economic co-operation [96]

(e) Human settlements

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/51/L.15

2. Macroeconomic policy questions [94] (A/51/87, A/51/208-S/1996/543)

- (c) Trade and development (A/51/15 (Vol.II*), A/51/15 (Vol.I), A/51/331, A/51/255, A/51/288, A/51/308, A/51/152 and Add.1, A/51/211-S/1996/551, A/51/394 and A/C.2/51/4)

(d) Commodities

Introduction and general discussion

3 p.m.-
6 p.m.

30th meeting

Conference
Room 2

1. Macroeconomic policy questions [94] (A/51/87, A/51/208-S/1996/543)

- (c) Trade and development (A/51/15 (Vol.II*), A/51/15 (Vol.I), A/51/331, A/51/255, A/51/288, A/51/308, A/51/152 and Add.1, A/51/211-S/1996/551, A/51/394 and A/C.2/51/4)

(d) Commodities

Conclusion of general discussion

2. Macroeconomic policy questions [94]

(d) Commodities

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/51/L.14

* To be issued.

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 11 a.m. informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on items 103 (Advancement of women) and 104 (Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women) chaired by the Vice-Chairperson of the Committee, Mr. Mohammad Masood Khan (Pakistan)

10 a.m.- 1 p.m. 27th meeting Conference Room 4

1. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [105]

Introduction of draft resolutions A/C.3/51/L.13, L.14 and L.20

2. Racism and racial discrimination [108] (A/51/3 (Parts I and II), A/51/18 (Supplement 18), A/51/90, A/51/301, A/51/427, A/52/430, A/51/435, A/51/541, A/51/462-S/1996/831)

3. Right of peoples to self-determination [109] (A/51/392, A/51/414, A/51/532-S/1996/864)

Continuation of general discussion

3 p.m.- 6 p.m. 28th meeting Conference Room 4

1. Racism and racial discrimination [108] (A/51/3 (Parts I and II), A/51/18 (Supplement 18), A/51/90, A/51/301, A/51/427, A/52/430, A/51/435, A/51/541, A/51/462-S/1996/831)

2. Right of peoples to self-determination [109] (A/51/392, A/51/414, A/51/532-S/1996/864)

Conclusion of general discussion

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m. 23rd meeting Conference Room 3

1. Programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997 [116] (A/C.5/50/57 and Add.1, A/50/7/Add.16 and A/51/7/Add.1)

Conclusion of general discussion

2. Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peace-keeping operations [140] (A/48/622, A/48/912, A/49/654, A/49/906 and Corr.1, A/49/936, A/50/684, A/50/797, A/50/907, A/50/965, A/50/976, A/50/

983, A/50/985, A/50/995, A/50/1009, A/50/1012, A/51/389, A/51/646, A/C.5/50/51 and A/C.5/51/8)

Introduction

3. Human resource management [120]

Special representatives, envoys and related positions

(A/C.5/50/72 and A/51/646)

4. Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors [111] (A/49/368, A/49/943, A/50/985, A/C.5/50/51, A/51/5 (Vol.I-IV), A/51/5/ Add.1-10, A/51/283, A/51/488 and Add.1, A/51/523 and A/51/533)

General discussion

3 p.m.- 6 p.m. informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 118 (Pattern of Conferences (A/51/32, A/51/125, A/51/253, A/51/268 and Corr.1, A/51/337 and A/C.5/51/22))

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m. 34th meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

3 p.m. 35th meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its forty-eighth session [146] (A/51/10 and Corr.1, A/51/177 and Add.1-5, A/51/178, A/51/332 and Corr.1, A/51/358 and Add.1, A/51/365)

Afternoon*- 6 p.m. informal consultations (closed) Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal consultations on a draft resolution concerning the establishment of an international criminal court

* Immediately following the adjournment of the 35th meeting of the Sixth Committee.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

3 p.m.- 6 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 10

International Seabed Authority

UNITED NATIONS ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Room DC1-778
2.30 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Room DC1-778

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL**Executive Board of UNDP and UNFPA***Informal consultations*

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber
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MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Thursday, 7 November 1996

GROUP OF 77

*(Second Committee matters: on the special
session for the implementation of
Agenda 21 and the renewal of the dialogue
of strengthening international economic
cooperation for development
through partnership)*

9.30 a.m.-
10.30 a.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 8

GROUP OF 77 (Fifth Committee matters)

9.30 a.m.-
10 a.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 5

ARAB GROUP OF THE FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-
11 a.m. closed meeting Conference
Room B

GROUP OF 77

*(Second Committee matters:
item 96 (d) (Population and Development))*

10 a.m.-
1 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 8

AFRICAN GROUP: GROUP OF EXPERTS ON ECONOMIC MATTERS

10.30 a.m.-
1 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 9

MEETING OF THE COMMONWEALTH PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES

11 a.m.-
1 p.m. closed meeting Economic and Social
Council Chamber

AFRICAN GROUP (Fifth Committee matters)

1.15 p.m.-
2.45 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 3

CENTRAL AMERICAN GROUP

3 p.m.-
6 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room D

GROUP OF 77 (Second Committee matters: on communication and external debt)

3 p.m.-
6 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 8

MEETING OF THE CARIBBEAN COMMUNITY (CARICOM)

3 p.m.-
6 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 9

GROUP OF 77 (Second Committee matters: briefing by coordinators on the current resolutions under negotiation)

6 p.m.-
7 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 9

Informal meeting

There will be a CTBT informal Bureau meeting (open-ended)
today, 7 November 1996, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 7, to
discuss the following subjects: (a) Budget (item 8); (b) (Scale of
assessments (item 8); and (c) Status of report (item 10).

* * ***Informal meeting**

There will be a police contributors meeting *today*, 7 November 1996, from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. in Conference Room 6. The meeting will be chaired by Lt. Gen. Manfred Eisele. There will be a briefing and an update on the United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina by Mr. Iqbal Riza, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Bosnia and Herzegovina.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Friday, 8 November 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	18th meeting	Conference Room 1	ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS		
3 p.m.	19th meeting	Conference Room 1	3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

SECOND COMMITTEE

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6
3 p.m.	31st meeting	Conference Room 2

The lists of speakers for all items allocated to the Second Committee are open for inscription. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Second Committee (Ms. Nicole Pouilleul, tel.: 212-963-5700, fax: 212-963-5935).

Informal meetings of the Second Committee

There will be an informal meeting of the Second Committee on Friday, 8 November 1996, from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. in Conference Room 2. Mr. James Michel, Chairman of the Development Assistance Committee/Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, will be the keynote speaker on strategies for international development cooperation, which are related to agenda item 94 (c) (Macroeconomic policy questions: trade and development).

There will be an informal meeting of the Second Committee to address issues related to external debt (agenda item 94 (a)) on Monday, 11 November 1996, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	29th meeting	Conference Room 4
3 p.m.	30th meeting	Conference Room 4

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	24th meeting	Conference Room 3
3 p.m.	25th meeting	Conference Room 3

The Panel will be moderated by Mr. Nitin Desai, Under-Secretary-General for the Department of Policy Coordination and Sustainable Development. Panelists will be Mr. Moustapha Deme (consultant), Ms. Nawal Kamel (World Bank), Mr. Soe Lin (Canadian International Development Agency) and Mr. Mohammed Sadli (debt consultant to the Movement of Non-aligned Countries). A Non-governmental Organization representative will be named at a later date.

Introductory remarks by the Panelists will be followed by a question-and-answer session.

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	36th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
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The meeting will be open to all delegations, media representatives, representatives of non-governmental organizations and members of the United Nations system.

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The Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the 1997 Programmes of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees will meet on Friday, 8 November 1996, at 10 a.m. The conference room will be announced in the *Journal*.

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The list of speakers for the general debate (scheduled for 25 and 26 November 1996) of the Fourth Review Conference of the Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on their Destruction, to be held in Geneva from 25 November to 6 December 1996) is open for inscription.

Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the Secretariat of the BWC (Mr. Sola Ogunbanwo), Provisional Secretary-General of the Review Conference, BWC Secretariat, Palais des Nations, Geneva, Switzerland (tel. : 022-9173644, fax: 022-9170296, room A-598).

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Resumed substantive session of 1996

The next meetings of the resumed substantive session of 1996 of the Economic and Social Council will be convened from 13 to 14 November 1996. The provisional agenda for the resumed session is contained in document E/1996/93. The following items will be taken up as follows:

1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [(E/1996/93)

Selection of themes for the high-level, the coordination segment and the high-level segment on operational activities for development for the 1997 substantive session of the Council (E/1996/ 103)

2. Economic and environmental questions: reports of subsidiary bodies, conferences and related questions: follow-up to General Assembly resolution 50/106: business and Development [6 (i)] (E/1996/99, E/1996/L.26)
3. Coordination questions: reports of the coordination bodies (a)] (E/1996/18 and Add.1)
4. Non-governmental organizations [10] (E/1996/102)*
5. Programme and related questions in the economic, social and related fields [11] (A/51/16 (Part II))
6. Implementation of General Assembly resolution 50/2 "Further measures for the restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields" [13] (E/1996/CRP.3/Rev.1 and CRP.5)
7. Elections [14] (E/1996/95 and Corr.1, E/1996/L.15/Add.

* To be issued.

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Secretariat of the United Nations.

There will be a closed meeting of the International Women's Forum on Tuesday, 12 November 1996, from 12 noon to 1.30 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Mrs. Graça Machel, expert of the Secretary-General on the Impact of Armed Conflict on Children, will address the Forum on "The rights of children in armed conflicts".

Informal meeting

There will be an informal meeting of the Signatories of the Comprehensive Nuclear Test-Ban Treaty on Tuesday, 12 November 1996, at 12 noon in Conference Room 1. All States Signatories are requested to attend.

Meeting of co-sponsors

The co-sponsors of Economic and Social Council draft resolution E/1996/L.26 invite interested delegations for informal consultations on Friday, 8 November 1996, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Announcements

The secretariat of the Open-ended High Level Working Group on the Strengthening of the United Nations System informs delegations that document WGNUS/CRP.3/Add.5 is now available in Room S-3380. This document represents Chapter V of the Compendium of proposals dealing with "Peace and Security".

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Presentation

A presentation organized by UNICEF of the report on "The Impact of Armed Conflict on Children" prepared by the Expert of the Secretary-General Ms. Graça Machel, will take place on Friday, 8 November 1996, at 3 p.m. at the Third Committee in Conference Room 4. The meeting will be addressed by the President of the General Assembly, the Secretary-General, Ms. Graça Machel and Senior Representatives of relevant agencies. This event is open to all delegations and special guests. All attendees are kindly requested to be seated by 2.55 p.m.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Tuesday, 5 November 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

1996 UNITED NATIONS PLEDGING CONFERENCE FOR DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

3rd meeting

Statements regarding pledges

Statements were made and pledges announced by members of the Conference.

The Secretary made a statement.

Adoption of the report

The Conference adopted the draft report contained in document A/CONF.180/L.1.

Closure of the Conference

The Associate Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme made a concluding statement.

The Director, Programme Funding Office of UNICEF made a concluding statement.

The Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund made a concluding statement.

The President made concluding remarks.

The President declared the 1996 Pledging Conference for Development Activities closed.

Wednesday, 6 November 1996

SECURITY COUNCIL

3709th meeting

Election of five members of the International Court of Justice (S/1996/722, S/1996/723/Rev.1 and Rev.1/Corr.1, S/1996/724 and Corr.1)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The delegations of France and the United States were selected, by the drawing of lots by the President, to serve as tellers.

On the first ballot, Mr. Mohammed Bedjaoui, Mr. Pieter H. Kooijmans, Mr. Stephen M. Schwebel and Mr. Vladlen S. Vereshchetin received the required absolute majority of votes in the Security Council.

As only four candidates had received the required absolute majority of votes in the Security Council on the first ballot, a second ballot was held.

No candidate received the required absolute majority of votes on the second ballot in the Security Council and the Council proceeded to a third ballot.

On the third ballot, Mr. Francisco Rezek received the required absolute majority of votes in the Security Council.

The President of the Council read out the text of a letter he had received from the President of the General Assembly, communicating the result of the voting held at the 54th plenary meeting of the General Assembly.

Having received the required absolute majority of votes both in the Security Council and in the General Assembly, Mr. Mohammed Bedjaoui, Mr. Pieter H. Kooijmans, Mr. Francisco Rezek, Mr. Stephen M. Schwebel and Mr. Vladlen S. Vereshchetin were elected as members of the International Court of Justice for a term of office beginning on 6 February 1997.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

54th plenary meeting

Elections to fill vacancies in principal organs: elections of five members of the International Court of Justice [15 (c)]

(a) *Memorandum by the Secretary-General (A/51/333-S/1996/722)*

(b) *List of candidates (A/51/334/Rev.1-S/1996/723/Rev.1 and Corr.1)*

(c) *Curricula vitae (A/51/335-S/1996/724 and Corr.1)*

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 264 (III), Nauru and Switzerland were invited to participate in the election to fill vacancies in the International Court of Justice.

In the first ballot Mr. Mohammed Bedjaoui (Algeria), Mr. Pieter H. Kooijmans (Netherlands), Mr. Jose Francisco Rezek (Brazil), Mr. Stephen M. Schwebel (United States) and Mr. Vladen S. Vereshchetin (Russian Federation) received the required absolute majority of votes.

The President read out a letter that he had received from the President of the Security Council communicating the results of the voting held at the 3709th meeting of the Council.

Having received the required absolute majority of votes both in the General Assembly and in the Security Council, Mr. Mohammed Bedjaoui (Algeria), Mr. Pieter H. Kooijmans (Netherlands), Mr. Jose Francisco Rezek (Brazil), Mr. Stephen M. Schwabel (United States) and Mr. Vladen S. Vereshchetin (Russian Federation) were elected members of the International Court of Justice for a term office of nine years beginning on 6 February 1997.

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (c) of agenda item 15.

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE 15th meeting

Introduction and consideration of draft resolutions submitted on all disarmament and international security agenda items

The First Committee continued the third phase of its work, namely introduction and consideration of draft resolutions submitted on all disarmament and international security agenda items, and heard statements by the representatives of Congo (who on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations Standing Advisory Committee on the Security Questions in Central Africa introduced draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.15), Colombia (who on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries introduced draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.14), Sri Lanka (who on behalf of the States Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons introduced draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.3 and on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries introduced draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.13), Sweden (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.40), Canada (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.34), Brazil, Malaysia (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.37), India (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.20/Rev.1), Japan (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.17), the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Mongolia (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.10) and Nepal.

The representative of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees made a statement.

16th meeting

The Committee continued the third phase of its work, namely introduction and consideration of draft resolutions submitted on all disarmament and international security agenda items and heard statements by the representatives of Egypt (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.43), Germany (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.5 and L.47), Romania, Mali (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.35), the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (who introduced draft resolu-

tion A/C.1/51/L.42), the Netherlands (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.18), Afghanistan (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.16) and Cambodia.

The Chairman made a statement.

Statements were also made by the representatives of Egypt, India, Pakistan and Algeria.

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

9th meeting

Note: The summary of the 9th meeting of the Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1996/218).

SECOND COMMITTEE

27th and 28th meetings

Note: The summary of the 27th and 28th meetings of the Second Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1996/218).

THIRD COMMITTEE

26th meeting

Crime prevention and criminal justice [101]

The Committee resumed its consideration of agenda item 101.

Draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.11

The Committee had before it a draft resolution submitted by the Chairperson contained in document A/C.3/51/L.11.

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote.

The Amendment to draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.3 which is contained in document A/C.3/51/L.5 was withdrawn by its sponsor.

In the light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.11, no action was taken on draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.3.

Elimination of racism and racial discrimination [108]

Right of peoples to self-determination [109]

The Committee continued its joint consideration of the items.

Statements were made by the representatives of Nepal, Malaysia, Turkey, Albania, the Sudan, Indonesia, Pakistan, Australia, Brazil, the Russian Federation and Angola.

A statement was also made by the observer for Palestine.

Organization of work

The Chairperson and the Secretary made statements on the organization of work.

SIXTH COMMITTEE

33rd meeting

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its forty-eighth session [146]

Statements were made by the representatives of Pakistan, Slovenia, Norway (on behalf of the Nordic countries), Poland, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Egypt, Venezuela, Mongolia, Tunisia, Slovakia, India, Mexico, the Republic of Korea, Israel and Chile.

The Chairman also spoke.

International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE

Fifty-eighth session

United Nations Office at Geneva

WEDNESDAY, 6 NOVEMBER 1996

1555th and 1556th meetings

Consideration of reports submitted by State parties under article 40 of the Convention [4]

The Committee concluded the consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 40 of the Covenant with the adoption, in closed session, of concluding observations on reports considered at the present session.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

European Agreement concerning the Work of Crews of Vehicles Engaged in International Road Transport (AETR), concluded at Geneva on 1 July 1970

Accession: Liechtenstein (6 November 1996)*

Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, adopted on 4 August 1995 by the United Nations Conference on Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks

Signature: China (6 November 1996)

* The date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Staff Council

There will be a meeting of the Staff Council today, 7 November 1996, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4. The meeting is open to staff members only.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

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| 10 a.m.-
11.30 a.m. | informal consultations
(closed) | Conference
Room 6 |
| <p>Informal consultations on the following draft proposals: A/C.2/51/L.13 (item 96 (a)); A/C.2/51/L.11 (item 97)</p> | | |
| 11.30 a.m.-
1 p.m. | informal consultations
(closed) | Conference
Room 6 |
| <p>Informal consultations on the following draft proposals: A/C.2/51/L.3 (item 99 (b)); A/C.2/51/L.8 (item 98); and A/C.2/51/L.12 (item 95 (a))</p> | | |
| 3 p.m.-
4 p.m. | informal meeting
(closed) | Conference
Room 2 |
| <p>[Mr. James Michel, Chairman of the Development Assistance Committee/Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, will be the keynote speaker on strategies for international development cooperation, which are related to agenda item 94 (c) (Macroeconomic policy questions: trade and development).]</p> | | |
| 4 p.m.-
6 p.m. | 31st meeting | Conference
Room 2 |
| <p>Macroeconomic policy questions [94] (A/51/87, A/51/208-S/1996/543)</p> | | |
| <p>(c) Trade and development (A/51/15 (Vol. II*), A/51/15, (Vol. I), A/51/331, A/51/255, A/51/288, A/51/308, A/51/152 and Add.1, A/51/211-S/1996/551, A/51/394 and A/C.2/51/4)</p> | | |
| <p>(d) Commodities</p> | | |
| <p><i>Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/51/L.16</i></p> | | |
| <p><i>Conclusion of discussion</i></p> | | |

THIRD COMMITTEE

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| 10 a.m.-
1 p.m. | 29th meeting | Conference
Room 4 |
| <p>1. Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People [107] (A/51/293, A/51/493, A/51/499, A/51/565)</p> | | |
| <p><i>Introduction and general discussion</i></p> | | |
| <p>2. Advancement of women [103]</p> | | |
| <p><i>Introduction of draft resolutions A/C.3/51/L.19* and L.21*</i></p> | | |
| <p>3. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [105]</p> | | |
| <p><i>Introduction of draft resolutions A/C.3/51/L.12, L.15 and L.16</i></p> | | |
| <p><i>Action on draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.20</i></p> | | |
| 3 p.m.-
6 p.m. | 30th meeting | Conference
Room 4 |
| <p>1. Promotion and protection of the rights of children [106]</p> | | |
| <p><i>Special presentation of the report on the Impact of Armed Conflict on Children</i></p> | | |
| <p>Address by the President of the General Assembly</p> | | |
| <p>Address by the Secretary-General</p> | | |
| <p>Introduction of the report by the Expert of the Secretary-General</p> | | |
| <p>Statements by the Executive Director of the United Nations Children's Fund, the Assistant Secretary-General for Human Rights, the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, the Director and Special Representative of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, the Vice President of the International Committee of the Red Cross</p> | | |
| <p>2. Promotion and protection of the rights of children [106] A/51/41 (Supplement No.41), A/51/90, A/51/306 and Add.1, A/51/385, A/51/424, A/51/456, A/51/492</p> | | |
| <p><i>Introductory statements</i></p> | | |

* To be issued.

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-
1 p.m. 24th meeting Conference
Room 3

Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments [18]

- (a) Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/51/101 and A/C.5/51/11)
- (b) Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions (A/51/102 and A/C.5/51/12)
- (c) Appointment of a member of the Board of Auditors (A/51/103 and A/C.5/51/13)
- (d) Confirmation of the appointment of members of the Investments Committee (A/51/104 and A/C.5/51/14 and Add.1)
- (e) Appointment of members of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal (A/51/105 and A/C.5/51/16)
- (f) Appointment of members of the International Civil Service Commission (A/51/106 and A/C.5/51/17)

3 p.m.-
6 p.m. 25th meeting Conference
Room 3

1. Programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997 [116] (A/C.5/50/57 and Add.1, A/50/7/Add.16 and A/51/7/Add.1)

Conclusion of general discussion

2. Programme planning [114]

Proposed medium-term plan for the period 1998-2001 :
Programmes 11-13 and 19-25

(A/51/6 (fascicles) and A/51/16 (Parts I and II))

Continuation of general discussion

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-
1 p.m. 36th meeting Trusteeship
Council Chamber

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its forty-eighth session [146] (A/51/10 and Corr.1, A/51/177 and Add.1-5, A/51/178, A/51/332 and Corr.1, A/51/358 and Add.1, A/51/365)

3 p.m.-
6 p.m. informal consultations
(closed) Conference
Room 6

Informal consultations on a draft resolution concerning measures to eliminate international terrorism

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE
AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

3 p.m.-
6 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 10

International Seabed Authority

UNITED NATIONS ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

10.30 a.m.-
1 p.m. closed meeting Room DC1-778

2.30 p.m.-
6 p.m. closed meeting Room DC1-778

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Friday, 8 November 1996

GROUP OF 77

*(Second Committee matters: renewal of the dialogue
of strengthening international economic
cooperation for development through partnership)*

9.30 a.m.-
10.30 a.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 7

GROUP OF 77

*(Second Committee matters: external debt crisis
and development and communications)*

2 p.m.-
6 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 7

NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT: DRAFTING GROUPS 1 AND 2 OF THE WORKING GROUP ON DISARMAMENT

10 a.m.-
12 noon closed meeting Conference
Room E

AFRICAN GROUP OF THE WHOLE

3 p.m.-
6 p.m. closed meeting Trusteeship
Council Chamber

GROUP OF 77

*(Second Committee matters: population
and development)*

10.30 a.m.-
11.30 a.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 7

GROUP OF 77

*(Second Committee matters: protection of global
climate for present and future generations of mankind)*

11.30 a.m.-
1 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 7

Meeting of co-sponsors

The co-sponsors of Economic and Social Council draft resolution E/1996/L.26 invite interested delegations for informal informal consultations today, 8 November 1996, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Presentation

A presentation organized by UNICEF of the report on "The Impact of Armed Conflict on Children" prepared by the Expert of the Secretary-General Ms. Graça Machel, will take place today, 8 November 1996, at 3 p.m. at the Third Committee in Conference Room 4. The meeting will be addressed by the President of the General Assembly, the Secretary-General, Ms. Graça Machel and Senior Representatives of relevant agencies. This event is open to all delegations and special guests. All attendees are kindly requested to be seated by 2.55 p.m.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS*Monday, 11 November 1996***GENERAL ASSEMBLY***Fifty-first session*

10 a.m. **55th PLENARY MEETING** General Assembly Hall

Elections to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs: election of the members of the International Law Commission [17 (a)]:

- (a) Notes by the Secretary-General concerning the candidates (A/51/177 and Add.1-9);
- (b) Note by the Secretary-General concerning the consolidated list of candidates (A/51/653);
- (c) Notes by the Secretary-General concerning the statements of qualifications of candidates (A/51/178 and Add.1).

Committees**FIRST COMMITTEE**

10 a.m. 18th meeting Conference Room 1

3 p.m. 19th meeting Conference Room 1

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m. 31st meeting Conference Room 4

3 p.m. 32nd meeting Conference Room 4

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m. 12th meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m. informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

3 p.m. 26th meeting Conference Room 3

WORKING GROUP OF THE WHOLE ON INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION IN THE PEACEFUL USES OF OUTER SPACE

3 p.m. closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

SIXTH COMMITTEE

3 p.m. 37th meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS**SECOND COMMITTEE**

10 a.m. informal meeting (closed) Conference Room 2

3 p.m. 32nd meeting Conference Room 2

10.30 a.m. closed meeting Conference Room 10

3 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 10

INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS

Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance (item 21)

In accordance with the announcement made by the President of the General Assembly on 28 October 1996, the Coordinator of the Informal Consultations on Item 21 and all its sub-items, H.E. Dr. Ernst Sucharipa (Austria), will hold the first meeting of the Informal Consultations on Friday, 15 November 1996, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 8, for a preliminary exchange of views on the questions to be considered under that item and on the organization of the work of the Informal Consultations.

Bearing in mind that the debate on item 21 is scheduled to be held in the Plenary on Thursday, 21 November, delegations are invited to present any initiative (draft resolution) they might have to the informal meeting on 15 November.

SECOND COMMITTEE

The lists of speakers for all items allocated to the Second Committee are open for inscription. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Second Committee (Ms. Nicole Pouilleul, tel.: 212-963-5700, fax: 212-963-5935).

Informal meetings of the Second Committee

There will be an informal meeting of the Second Committee to address issues related to external debt (agenda item 94 (a)) on Monday, 11 November 1996, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

The Panel will be moderated by Mr. Nitin Desai, Under-Secretary-General for the Department of Policy Coordination and Sustainable Development. Panellists will be Mr. Moustapha Deme (consultant), Ms. Nawal Kamel (World Bank), Mr. Soe Lin (Canadian International Development Agency) and Mr. Mohammed Sadli (debt consultant to the Movement of Non-aligned Countries). A Non-governmental Organization representative will be named at a later date.

Introductory remarks by the Panellists will be followed by a question-and-answer session.

The meeting will be open to all delegations, media representatives, representatives of non-governmental organizations and members of the United Nations system.

The list of speakers for the general debate (scheduled for 25 and 26 November 1996) of the Fourth Review Conference of the Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on their Destruction, to be held in Geneva from 25 November to 6 December 1996) is open for inscription.

Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the Secretariat of the BWC (Mr. Sola Ogunbanwo), Provisional Secretary-General of the Review Conference, BWC Secretariat, Palais Des Nations, Geneva, Switzerland (tel.: 022-9173644, fax: 022-9170296, room A-598).

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Resumed substantive session of 1996

The next meetings of the resumed substantive session of 1996 of the Economic and Social Council will be convened from 13 to 14 November 1996. The provisional agenda for the resumed session is contained in document E/1996/93. The following items will be taken up as follows:

1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [1] (E/1996/93)
- Selection of themes for the high-level, the coordination segment and the high-level segment on operational activities for development for the 1997 substantive session of the Council (E/1996/103)
2. Economic and environmental questions: reports of subsidiary bodies, conferences and related questions: follow-up to General Assembly resolution 50/106: business and Development [6 (I)] (E/1996/99, E/1996/L.26)
3. Coordination questions: reports of the coordination bodies [9 (a)] (E/1996/18 and Add.1)
4. Non-governmental organizations [10] (E/1996/102)*
5. Programme and related questions in the economic, social and related fields [11] (A/51/16 (Part II))
6. Implementation of General Assembly resolution 50/227: "Further measures for the restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields" [13] (E/1996/CRP.3/Rev.1 and CRP.5)
7. Elections [14] (E/1996/95 and Corr.1, E/1996/L.15/Add. 2)

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Informal meeting

There will be an informal meeting of the Signatories of the Comprehensive Nuclear Test-Ban Treaty on Tuesday, 12 November 1996, at 12 noon in Conference Room 1. All States Signatories are requested to attend.

Informal briefing

There will be an informal briefing on the work of the International Labour Organization (ILO) in the field of child labour. The briefing will be held in conjunction with Third Committee agenda item 106 (Promotion and protection of the rights of children), as well as with the release of a new report on the ILO's most recent work in this area. Ms. Gabriele Stoikov, Manager of the ILO's International Programme on the Elimination of Child Labour (IPEC) since 1994, will give the briefing on Tuesday, 12 November 1996, from 1.45 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 5. All delegates, Secretariat staff and representatives of agencies and non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

There will be a meeting of the Arab Group (*at the ambassadorial level*) on Monday, 11 November 1996, at 3.30 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

There will be a closed meeting of the Women's International Forum on Tuesday, 12 November 1996, from 12 noon to 1.30 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Mrs. Graça Machel, expert of the Secretary-General on the Impact of Armed Conflict on Children, will address the Forum on "The rights of children in armed conflicts".

Meeting of co-sponsors

There will be a meeting of co-sponsors of draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.38 entitled "Consolidation of peace through practical disarmament measures" on Monday, 11 November 1996, at 9.45 a.m. in Conference Room A.

Announcements

The secretariat of the Open-ended High Level Working Group on the Strengthening of the United Nations System informs delegations that document WGNUS/CRP.3/Add.5 is now available in Room S-3380. This document represents Chapter V of the Compendium of proposals dealing with "Peace and Security".

Representatives of States Signatories of the Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty (CTBT) may collect a copy of the revised "Provisional Budget of the Preparatory Commission: Initial Outline" and attachments as of 5 p.m. today, 8 November 1996, in room S-3151.

Announcement

The Presidency of the Security Council will conduct an informal briefing on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council at 3 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays during the month of November, except on those days when no consultations of the whole of the Council are scheduled.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Wednesday, 6 November 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

9th meeting

Questions relating to information [87]

The Chairman drew attention to the reports of the Committee on Information, (A/51/21) and the Secretary-General (A/51/406).

The representative of Algeria, Rapporteur of the Committee on Information, introduced the report of the Committee.

The Assistant Secretary-General for Public Information made a statement.

The general debate began with statements by the representatives of the Sudan, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Burkina Faso, Costa Rica (also on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Yemen, Ukraine, Ireland (also on behalf of the European Union as well as by the following associated countries: Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Iceland and Norway), Singapore, China, Tunisia, Bangladesh, Bulgaria, Argentina and Lebanon, as well as by the observer for Palestine.

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to close the list of speakers in the general debate at 6 p.m. the same day.

Organization of work

The Chairman announced that on Monday, 11 November, the Committee would commence consideration of agenda item 83 (International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space). Delegations were urged to inscribe their names on the list of speakers as soon as possible.

The Chairman made a statement.

SECOND COMMITTEE

27th meeting

Sustainable development and international economic cooperation [96]

(d) Population and development

The Committee continued consideration of agenda item 96, sub-item (d).

Statements were made by the representatives of Tunisia, India, Peru, the Republic of Korea and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

The Director of the Population Division of DESIPA and the Deputy Director of the Technical Evaluation Division of UNFPA responded to the statements made by delegates.

The Committee thus concluded the general discussion of agenda item 96, sub-item (d), and on agenda item 96 as a whole.

Sectoral policy questions [95]

(a) Industrial development cooperation

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/51/L.12

The Committee resumed consideration of agenda item 95, sub-item (a).

The representatives of Costa Rica (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) and Colombia (on behalf of the members of the Movement of Non-aligned Countries) introduced the draft resolution.

Sustainable development and international economic cooperation [96]

(a) Implementation and follow-up to major consensus agreements on development.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/51/L.13

The Committee resumed consideration of the agenda item 96, sub-item (a).

The representative of Costa Rica (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) introduced the draft resolution.

Report of the Economic and Social Council [12]

The Committee began consideration of agenda item 12.

Introductory statements were made by the Director of the Division for Policy Coordination and Economic and Social Council Affairs of the Department for Policy Coordination and Sustainable Development (DPCSD), Dr. Kazem Behbehani, Director of the Division of Control of Tropical Diseases, of the World Health Organization, and the Chief of the Regional Commissions' New York Office.

Statements were made by the representatives of Ireland (on behalf of the European Union), the United States, China, the Russian Federation, Israel, Egypt, Algeria, Tunisia and the Sudan.

A statement was made by the observer for Palestine.

28th meeting

The Committee continued consideration of agenda item 12 and heard statements by the representatives of Costa Rica (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Lebanon, Belarus, Ukraine, Yemen and the Syrian Arab Republic.

The Director of the Division for Policy Coordination and Economic and Social Council Affairs of DPCSD responded to the statements made by delegates.

The Committee thus concluded the general discussion on agenda item 12.

Training and research [99]

(a) *United Nations Institute for Training and Research*

The Committee began consideration of agenda item 99, sub-item (a).

Introductory statements were made by the Assistant Secretary-General for Human Resources Management, the Acting Executive Director of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research and the Vice Chairman of the Joint Inspection Unit.

Statements were made by the representatives of Ireland (on behalf of the European Union), Pakistan, Lebanon, China, Argentina, Japan, Nigeria, the Russian Federation and Cameroon, as well as by the observer for Switzerland.

The Assistant Secretary-General for Human Resources Management and the Acting Executive Director of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research, responded to the statements made by delegations, as well as to questions raised by the representatives of Oman, Pakistan and Nigeria.

The Committee thus concluded the general debate on agenda item 99, sub-item (a), and on agenda item 99 as a whole.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

Thursday, 7 November 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

17th meeting

Note: The summary of the 17th meeting of the First Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1996/219).

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10th meeting

Questions relating to information [87]

The general debate continued with statements by the representatives of The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Romania, Slovakia, Ecuador, the Russian Federation, Egypt, Ghana, Qatar, Mexico, Indonesia, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Uruguay, the Syrian Arab Republic, Malaysia, Belarus, Algeria, Viet Nam, Chile, Brazil, the United Arab Emirates and Kuwait.

The Committee decided, without objection, to include the delegations of Israel and Kuwait in the list of speakers under agenda item 87.

11th meeting

The Committee concluded its general debate on agenda item 87 and heard statements by the representative of Cuba, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Gabon, Nigeria, the United States, Israel, Nepal, Malta and Jamaica (also on behalf of the 12 members of CARICOM which are members of the United Nations (Antigua and Barbuda, the Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname and Trinidad and Tobago).

The Committee adopted, without a vote, draft resolutions A and B contained in paragraph 47 of document A/51/21.

The Assistant Secretary-General for Public Information made a concluding statement.

The Committee concluded consideration of agenda item 87.

Reports to the General Assembly

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided, without objection, to authorize the Rapporteur to submit the reports of the items directly to the General Assembly.

Agenda items 19 (chapters of the report of the Special Committee of 24 relating to specific Territories not already covered by other items), 89, 90 and 12 and 91

In modification of a decision taken at its 8th meeting, the Committee decided, on the proposal of the Chairman, to extend the deadline to Thursday, 14 November, at 6 p.m., for submission of draft proposals and amendments on agenda item 19.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

SECOND COMMITTEE

29th meeting

Macroeconomic policy questions [94]

(c) *Trade and development*

(d) *Commodities*

The Committee began consideration of agenda item 94, sub-items (c) and (d).

Introductory statements were made by the President of the Trade and Development Board and the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development.

Statements were made by the representatives of Costa Rica (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the United States, Cuba, the Russian Federation, China, Ghana, Norway, Brazil (also on behalf of Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, Uruguay, Bolivia and Chile), Tunisia, the Republic of Korea, Kazakhstan, the Sudan, Georgia and Ecuador, as well as the observer for Switzerland.

The representative of the European Community also made a statement.

The Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development and the President of the Trade and Development Board responded to the statements made by delegates.

30th meeting

Sustainable development and international economic cooperation [96]

(e) *Human settlements*

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/51/L.15

The Committee resumed consideration of agenda item 96, sub-item (e).

The representative of Costa Rica, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China and Colombia, on behalf of the members of the Movement of Non-aligned Countries, introduced the draft resolution contained in document A/C.2/51/L.15.

Macroeconomic policy questions [94]

(c) *Trade and development*

(d) *Commodities*

The Committee continued consideration of agenda item 94, sub-items (c) and (d).

The representative of the Joint Inspection Unit made an introductory statement.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/51/L.14

The representative of Costa Rica, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, introduced the draft resolution contained in document A/C.2/51/L.14.

Statements were made by the representatives of Japan, Uruguay, the Philippines, on behalf of the ASEAN countries, Senegal, South Africa (also on behalf of Angola, Botswana, Namibia, Mozambique, Mauritius, Malawi, Swaziland, Lesotho, the United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe), the Islamic Republic of Iran, Venezuela, Uganda, Egypt, India, the Niger, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Bangladesh and Ghana.

The observer of the South Pacific Forum, an intergovernmental organization, also made a statement.

The President of the Trade and Development Board responded to the statements made by delegates.

THIRD COMMITTEE

27th and 28th meetings

Note: The summary of the 27th and 28th meetings of the Third Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal of Economic and Social Affairs* (No. 1996/219).

FIFTH COMMITTEE

23rd meeting

Programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997 [116]

The Committee continued its consideration of this item.

The Controller made a statement and responded to questions previously posed.

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba, Costa Rica and Germany.

Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peace-keeping operations [140]

The Committee began its consideration of this item.

The Controller and the Director of the Special Services Division introduced the reports of the Secretary-General.

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee introduced the related report of that Committee.

Statements were made by the representatives of Pakistan, Sierra Leone, India, Ireland (on behalf of the European Union), Canada, Nepal, Zambia, Uganda, Poland and China.

The Controller, the Assistant Secretary-General for Human Resources Management and the Deputy Director of the Peace-keeping Financing Division responded to questions posed.

Human resource management [120]

Special representatives, envoys and related positions

The Committee continued its consideration of this item.

The Assistant Secretary-General for Human Resources Management introduced the report of the Secretary-General.

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee introduced the related report of that Committee.

Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors [111]

The Committee continued its consideration of this item.

A statement was made by the representative of India.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

SIXTH COMMITTEE

34th meeting

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its forty-eighth session [146]

The Chairman of the International Law Commission introduced Chapter III of the report.

Statements were made by the representatives of Ghana, the Russian Federation, Trinidad and Tobago, Bulgaria, Cuba, Australia, Austria, the United Kingdom, Bahrain, South Africa, Germany, Brazil, the United States, the Czech Republic and Ireland, as well as by the observer for Switzerland.

The Chairman also spoke.

International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE

Fifty-eighth session

United Nations Office at Geneva

THURSDAY, 7 NOVEMBER 1996

1557th and 1558th meetings

Consideration of reports submitted by State parties under article 40 of the Convention [4]

The Committee concluded the consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 40 of the Covenant with the adoption, in closed session, of concluding observations on reports considered at the present session.

The Committee then adopted, in open session, various decisions relating to its methods of work under article 40 of the Covenant and on its rules of procedure.

Consideration of communications under the Optional Protocol to the Covenant [6]

The Committee continued its consideration of the item in open session.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Amendment to article 20, paragraph 1 of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women, adopted by the States Parties at their eighth meeting on 22 May 1995

Acceptance: Panama (5 November 1996)*

Amendment to article 43 (2) of the Convention on the Rights of the Child, adopted by the Conference of the States Parties on 12 December 1995

Acceptance: Panama (5 November 1996)*

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, concluded at Montego Bay, Jamaica, on 10 December 1982

Ratification: Brunei Darussalam (5 November 1996)*

* The date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Agreement relating to the Implementation of Part XI of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982, adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 28 July 1994

Participation: Brunei Darussalam (5 November 1996)*

Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty, adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 10 September 1996

Signature: Uganda (7 November 1996)

* The date of receipt of the relevant documents.

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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Monday, 11 November 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

10 a.m. 55th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Elections to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs: election of the members of the International Law Commission [17 (a)]:
 - (a) Notes by the Secretary-General concerning the candidates (A/51/177 and Add.1-9);
 - (b) Note by the Secretary-General concerning the consolidated list of candidates (A/51/653);
 - (c) Notes by the Secretary-General concerning the statements of qualifications of candidates (A/51/178 and Add.1).
2. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Caribbean Community [25]:
 - (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/51/299);
 - (b) Draft resolution (A/51/L.14 Rev.1).

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

a.m.-		Conference
1 p.m.	18th meeting	Room 1
a.m.-		Conference
6 p.m.	19th meeting	Room 1

roduction and consideration of draft resolutions submitted
all disarmament and international security agenda items 60,
53-81:

Agenda items [60] (A/51/27, 208-S/1996/543, 1017-S/1996/ 632, A/C.1/51/L.36); [61] (A/51/179, 209, A/C.1/51/L.47); [62]; [63] (A/C.1/51/L.20 and Rev.1); [64] (A/51/529, A/C.1/ 51/L.34); [65]; [66] (A/51/27, 123, 127, 131, 163, 167, 174, 208-S/1996/543, 262, 412, A/C.1/51/4, 5, 8); [67] (A/51/113-S/1996/276, 117-S/1996/290, 216-S/1996/563, 286, A/C.1/ 51/L.28 and Rev.1); [68] (A/51/176, A/C.1/51/13, A/C.1/51/ L.6); [69] (A/51/27, 163, 262, A/C.1/51/13, A/C.1/51/L.30); [70]; (A/51/27, 262, A/C.1/51/L.43); [71] (A/51/27, 42, 60-S/1996/62, 69-S/1996/122, 72-S/1996/148, 77-S/1996/181, 127, 131, 136,

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SPECIAL POLITICAL AND
DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE
(FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m. 12th meeting Conference Room 4

International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space [83] (A/51/20, A/51/276)

WORKING GROUP OF THE WHOLE
ON INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION
IN THE PEACEFUL USES OF OUTER SPACE

Morning*- 1 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 4

* Following the adjournment of the 12th meeting of the Fourth Committee.

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m. informal meeting (closed) Conference Room 2

[The Panel on issues related to external debt (agenda item 94 (a)) will be moderated by Mr. Nitin Desai, Under-Secretary-General for the Department of Policy Coordination and Sustainable Development. Panelists will be Mr. Moustapha Deme (consultant), Ms. Nawal Kamel (World Bank), Mr. Soe Lin (Canadian International Development Agency), Mr. Mohammed Sadli (debt consultant to the Movement of Non-aligned Countries) and a representative from a non-govern-

mental organization. Introductory remarks by the Panelists will be followed by a question-and-answer session. The meeting is open to all delegations, media representatives, representatives of non-governmental organizations and members of the United Nations system.]

3 p.m.- 6 p.m. 32nd meeting Conference Room 2

Macroeconomic policy questions [94] (A/51/87, A/51/208-S/ 1996/543)

- (a) External debt and development (A/51/294)
- (b) Financing of development, including net transfer of resources between developing and developed countries (A/51/291 and A/51/388)

Introductory statement and general discussion

Sustainable development and international economic cooperation [96]

- (c) Integration of the economies in transition into the world economy

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/51/L.17

- (f) Eradication of poverty

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/51/L.18

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m. 31st meeting Conference Room 3

1. Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People [107] (A/51/293, A/51/499, A/51/565)

Conclusion of general discussion

2. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [105]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.13

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.14

3. International drug control [102]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.9 (Programme budget implications in A/C.3/51/L.22)

3 p.m.-
6 p.m. 32nd meeting Conference Room 3

1. Promotion and protection of the rights of children [106] (A/51/41, (Supplement No.41), A/51/90, A/51/306 and Add.1, A/51/385, A/51/424, A/51/456, A/51/492)

Address by Archbishop Emeritus Desmond Tutu

General discussion

2. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [105] (A/51/12, and Add.1, A/51/329, A/51/341, A/51/367, A/51/454, A/51/206-S/1996/539)

Conclusion of general debate

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-
1 p.m. informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 119 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (A/50/11/Add.2 and Corr.1))

3 p.m.-
6 p.m. 26th meeting Conference Room 4

1. Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors [111] (A/49/368, A/49/943, A/50/985, A/C.5/50/51, A/51/5 (Vols.I-IV), A/51/5/Add.1-10, A/51/283, A/51/488 and Add.1, A/51/523 and A/51/533)

Continuation of general discussion

2. Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services [141] (A/50/945, A/50/1004, A/50/1005, A/51/302, A/51/305, A/51/432, A/51/467 and A/51/486)

Introduction and general discussion

3. Programme planning [114]

Proposed medium-term plan for the period 1998-2001: Programmes 11-13 and 19-25

(A/51/6 (fascicles), A/51/6/Prog.11/Rev.1 and A/51/16 (Parts I and II))

Continuation of general discussion

4. Human resources management [120] (A/C.5/49/63, A/C.5/49/64, A/C.5/50/64, A/C.5/51/1, A/C.5/51/3, A/C.5/51/6, A/C.5/51/7, A/51/304 and Corr.1 and A/51/421 and Corr.1)

Conclusion of general discussion

SIXTH COMMITTEE

3 p.m. 37th meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its forty-eighth session [146] (A/51/10 and Corr.1, A/51/177 and Add.1-5, A/51/178, A/51/332 and Corr.1, A/51/358 and Add.1, A/51/365)

Afternoon*-
6 p.m.- informal consultations (closed) Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal consultations on a draft resolution concerning the United Nations Decade of International Law

* Immediately after the adjournment of the 37th meeting of the Sixth Committee.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

3 p.m.-
6 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 10

Procurement reform

COMMITTEE ON THE PEACEFUL USES OF OUTER SPACE

Inter-sessional informal consultations

3 p.m.-
6 p.m. closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

UNITED NATIONS ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

10.30 a.m.-
1 p.m. closed meeting Room DC1-778

2.30 p.m.-
6 p.m. closed meeting Room DC1-778

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Monday, 11 November 1996

NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT: DRAFTING GROUPS 1 AND 2 OF THE WORKING GROUP ON DISARMAMENT

9 a.m.-
10 a.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 9

GROUP OF 77 (Second Committee matters: communication for development)

9.30 a.m.-
11 a.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 6

GROUP OF 77 (Second Committee matters: global financial integration)

11 a.m.-
1 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 6

GROUP OF 77 (Second Committee matters: special session on the implementation of Agenda 21)

1.30 p.m.-
2.45 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 6

GROUP OF 77 (Second Committee matters: on external debt crisis)

3 p.m.-
6 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 6

ARAB GROUP (at the ambassadorial level)

3.30 p.m.-
6 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 8

GROUP OF 77 (Briefing by the Coordinators on the current resolutions under negotiation)

6 p.m.-
7 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 9

Informal meeting

There will be a CTBT informal Bureau meeting (open-ended) to discuss the following subjects: (a) budget (item 8) and (b) scale of assessments (item 8) on Monday, 11 November 1996, from 12 noon to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

Meeting of co-sponsors

There will be a meeting of co-sponsors of draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.38 entitled "Consolidation of peace through practical disarmament measures" on Monday, 11 November 1996, from 9.45 a.m. to 10.45 a.m. in Conference Room A.

There will be a meeting of co-sponsors and potential co-sponsors of a draft resolution on agenda item 56 (The situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina) on Monday, 11 November 1996, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room A.

Briefing

There will be a briefing, organized by the Department of Public Information and the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), by Ms. Graça Machel, former Minister of Education of Mozambique, who was appointed by the Secretary-General an expert to undertake a study on the impact of armed conflict on children. The briefing will be held on Monday, 11 November 1996, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 3. Representatives of delegations, non-governmental organizations and the media and Secretariat staff are invited to attend.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS*Tuesday, 12 November 1996***GENERAL ASSEMBLY***Fifty-first session*

10 a.m. 56th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Necessity of ending the economic, commercial and financial embargo imposed by the United States of America against Cuba [27]:

- (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/51/355 and Add.1);

- (b) Draft resolution (A/51/L.15).

2. The situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina [56].

Committees**FIRST COMMITTEE**

10 a.m. 20th meeting Conference Room 1

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m. 13th meeting Conference Room 4

3 p.m. 14th meeting Conference Room 4

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m. 33th meeting Conference Room 2

3 p.m. 34th meeting Conference Room 2

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m. 33rd meeting Conference Room 3

3 p.m. 34th meeting Conference Room 3

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m. informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

3 p.m. informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m. 38th meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m. closed meeting Conference Room 10

3 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 10

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INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS

Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance (item 21)

In accordance with the announcement made by the President of the General Assembly on 28 October 1996, the Coordinator of the Informal Consultations on Item 21 and all its sub-items, H.E. Dr. Ernst Sucharipa (Austria), will hold the first meeting of the Informal Consultations on Friday, 15 November 1996, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 8, for a preliminary exchange of views on the questions to be considered under that item and on the organization of the work of the Informal Consultations.

Bearing in mind that the debate on item 21 is scheduled to be held in the Plenary on Thursday, 21 November, delegations are invited to present any initiative (draft resolution) they might have to the informal meeting on 15 November.

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SECOND COMMITTEE

The lists of speakers for all items allocated to the Second Committee are open for inscription. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Second Committee (Ms. Nicole Pouilleul, tel.: 212-963-5700, fax: 212-963-5935).

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The 178th meeting of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country will be convened on Thursday, 14 November 1996, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

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The list of speakers for the general debate (scheduled for 25 and 26 November 1996) of the Fourth Review Conference of the Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on their Destruction, to be held in Geneva (from 25 November to 6 December 1996) is open for inscription.

Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the Secretariat of the BWC (Mr. Sola Ogunbanwo), Provisional Secretary-General of the Review Conference, BWC Secretariat, Palais Des Nations, Geneva, Switzerland (tel. : 022-9173644, fax: 022-9170296, room A-598).

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Resumed substantive session of 1996

The next meetings of the resumed substantive session of 1996 of the Economic and Social Council will be convened from 13 to 14 November 1996. The provisional agenda for the resumed session is contained in document E/1996/93. The following items will be taken up as follows:

1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [1] (E/1996/93)
- Selection of themes for the high-level, the coordination segment and the high-level segment on operational activities for development for the 1997 substantive session of the Council (E/1996/103)
2. Economic and environmental questions: reports of subsidiary bodies, conferences and related questions: follow-up to General Assembly resolution 50/106: business and Development [6 (i)] (E/1996/99, E/1996/L.26)
3. Coordination questions: reports of the coordination bodies [9 (a)] (E/1996/18 and Add.1)
4. Non-governmental organizations [10] (E/1996/102)*
5. Programme and related questions in the economic, social and related fields [11] (A/51/16 (Part II))
6. Implementation of General Assembly resolution 50/227: "Further measures for the restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields" [13] (E/1996/CRP.3/Rev.1 and CRP.5)
7. Elections [14] (E/1996/95 and Corr.1, E/1996/L.15/Add. 2)

* To be issued.

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There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 (*on Fifth Committee matters*) on Tuesday, 12 November 1996 at 9.15 a.m. in Conference Room 8.

There will be a closed meeting of the Women's International Forum on Tuesday, 12 November 1996, from 12 noon to 1.30 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Mrs. Graça Machel, expert of the Secretary-General on the Impact of Armed Conflict on Children, will address the Forum on "The rights of children in armed conflicts".

Informal meeting

There will be an informal meeting of the Signatories of the Comprehensive Nuclear Test-Ban Treaty on Tuesday, 12 November 1996, at 12 noon in Conference Room 1. All States Signatories are requested to attend.

Announcements

The secretariat of the Open-ended High Level Working Group on the Strengthening of the United Nations System informs delegations that document WGNUS/CRP.3/Add.5 is now available in Room S-3380. This document represents Chapter V of the Compendium of proposals dealing with "Peace and Security".

Briefings

There will be an informal briefing on the work of the International Labour Organization (ILO) in the field of child labour. The briefing will be held in conjunction with Third Committee agenda item 106 (Promotion and protection of the rights of children), as well as with the release of a new report on the ILO's most recent work in this area. Ms. Gabriele Stoikov, Manager of the ILO's International Programme on the Elimination of Child Labour (IPEC) since 1994, will give the briefing on Tuesday, 12 November 1996, from 1.45 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 5. All delegates, Secretariat staff and representatives of agencies and non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

In accordance with the request made by the Economic and Social Council, in its resolution 1996/33 on strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations, the Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs will convene an informal open-ended information meeting on Thursday, 14 November 1996, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 6, to apprise delegations on the measures taken in preparation for the comprehensive analytical report called for in that resolution, as well as on various on-going activities of the Department of Humanitarian Affairs.

Announcement

The Presidency of the Security Council will conduct an informal briefing on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council at 3 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays during the month of November, except on those days when no consultations of the whole of the Council are scheduled.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Thursday, 7 November 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

17th meeting

Introduction and consideration of draft resolutions submitted on all disarmament and international security agenda items

The First Committee continued the third phase of its work, namely introduction and consideration of draft resolutions submitted on all disarmament and international security agenda items and heard statements by the representatives of Brazil (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.4), Nigeria (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.32 and who on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the African Group of States introduced draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.24), Egypt (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.28), the United States (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.45), Qatar, Indonesia, South Africa (who on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the African Group of States introduced draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.23), Egypt (who on behalf of States Members of the United Nations that are members of the League of Arab States introduced draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.27), Togo (who on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the African Group of States introduced draft resolution A/C.1/51/L.26), New Zealand, Israel, Spain, the Russian Federation, Poland (who introduced draft resolutions A/C.1/51/L.25 and L.48), the Syrian Arab Republic and Egypt.

The Chairman made a statement.

It was announced that the following countries had become co-sponsors of the following draft resolutions: A/C.1/51/L.1/Rev.1: Austria, Belarus, Belgium, Finland, France, Germany, Guatemala, Italy, Kyrgyzstan, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Spain, Sweden and United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; A/C.1/51/L.2: Bangladesh, Cuba, Croatia, Estonia, Iceland, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Luxembourg, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Mauritius, Slovenia and Spain; A/C.1/51/L.4: Benin, Grenada, Guyana, Kenya, Liberia, Namibia, Nepal, Sierra Leone, Suriname, United Republic of Tanzania, Trinidad and Tobago, Vanuatu, Zaire and Zimbabwe; A/C.1/51/L.8: Kenya, Sri Lanka and South Africa; A/C.1/51/L.9: Guatemala; A/C.1/51/L.10: Bangladesh, Brunei Darussalam, Malaysia, New Zealand, Philippines and Thailand; A/C.1/51/L.16: Bangladesh, Belgium, France, Germany, India, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and Zaire; A/C.1/51/L.17: Australia, Austria, Denmark, Finland, France, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Germany, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Romania, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and Venezuela; A/C.1/51/L.18: Congo, El Salvador, Liberia and

Zaire; A/C.1/51/L.19/Rev.1: Bangladesh, Lesotho and Malaysia; A/C.1/51/L.20/Rev.1: Bangladesh, Kenya and Singapore; A/C.1/51/L.24: Monaco and Mongolia; A/C.1/51/L.30: Cuba, Guatemala and Zaire; A/C.1/51/L.31: Congo, Liberia and Zaire; A/C.1/51/L.32: Bangladesh, Botswana, China, Congo, Guatemala, Kenya, Liberia, Mongolia, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Sweden and Zaire; A/C.1/51/L.33: Morocco and Turkey; A/C.1/51/L.34: Australia, Guatemala, Iceland, Luxembourg and Republic of Korea; A/C.1/51/L.35: Benin, Japan, Liberia and Zaire; A/C.1/51/L.36: Bangladesh, Chile, Egypt, Estonia, Iceland, Lithuania, Nigeria, Qatar and Sri Lanka; A/C.1/51/L.37: Afghanistan, Brazil, Guyana, India, Iraq, Nigeria, Paraguay, San Marino, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Thailand and United Republic of Tanzania; A/C.1/51/L.38: Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Belarus, Canada, Côte d'Ivoire, Denmark, Lesotho, Malta, New Zealand, Nigeria, Republic of Moldova, Sweden and Uruguay; A/C.1/51/L.39: Lesotho; A/C.1/51/L.40: Bangladesh, Belarus, Malta, Monaco, Mongolia, Panama and Paraguay; A/C.1/51/L.42: Austria, Belgium, Congo, Denmark, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands and Zaire; A/C.1/51/L.43: Bangladesh, Brunei Darussalam, Cuba, Mongolia, Myanmar and Nigeria; A/C.1/51/L.44: Zaire; A/C.1/51/L.45: Monaco; A/C.1/51/L.46: Australia, Benin, Côte d'Ivoire, Finland, Guinea, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Monaco, Mongolia, Nepal, Panama, Paraguay, Spain, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Togo, Turkmenistan and Zaire; A/C.1/51/L.47: Afghanistan, Iceland, Japan, Malta, Monaco and United States of America.

THIRD COMMITTEE

27th meeting

Elimination of racism and racial discrimination [108]

Right of peoples to self-determination [109]

The Committee continued its joint consideration of the item

Statements were made by the representatives of Tunisia, Liechtenstein, Israel and The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

The Committee then held a dialogue with the Assistant Secretary-General for Human Rights and the Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related forms of intolerance, after which the Chairperson made a statement.

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [105]

The Committee resumed its consideration of agenda item 105.

Draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.14

The representative of Poland, also on behalf of South Africa, introduced the draft resolution.

Draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.20

The representative of Norway, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, introduced and orally revised the draft resolution.

It was announced that Bulgaria, Costa Rica, Ghana, Nepal and The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia had joined as co-sponsors of the draft resolution.

28th meeting

Elimination of racism and racial discrimination [108]

Right of peoples to self-determination [109]

The Committee continued its joint consideration of the items.

Statements were made by the representatives of Slovenia, India, Ukraine, Guyana (on behalf of CARICOM), Syrian Arab Republic, Colombia, Pakistan, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Iraq, Andorra, Singapore, Zambia, Algeria, Croatia and Thailand.

The representatives of Myanmar, Morocco and Algeria made statements in exercise of the right of the reply.

The Committee concluded its joint general discussion of the items.

Friday, 8 November 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

31st meeting

Macroeconomic policy questions [94]

(c) *Trade and development*

(d) *Commodities*

The Committee resumed consideration of agenda item 94, sub-items (c) and (d).

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/51/L.16

The representative of Costa Rica (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) and Colombia (on behalf of the members of the Movement of the Non-aligned Countries) introduced the draft resolution.

The Committee then continued its general discussion on the item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Australia (on behalf of Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Fiji, Hungary, Indonesia, Malaysia, New Zealand, the Philippines, Thailand and Uruguay), Iraq, Ukraine, Bulgaria, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Canada.

The Committee thus concluded the general debate on agenda item 94, sub-items (c) and (d).

The representative of the Russian Federation made a statement also on behalf of Belarus, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Kazakhstan, in relation to the introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/51/L.16.

Organization of work

At the request of the representative of Pakistan, the Committee agreed to postpone the deadline for submission of draft proposals under item 99(a) to Thursday, 14 November, 1 p.m.

At the request of the representative of the United States, the Committee also agreed to postpone the deadline for submission of draft proposals under item 12 to Friday, 15 November, 1 p.m.

THIRD COMMITTEE

29th meeting

Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People [107]

The Committee began its consideration of the item and heard an introductory statement by the Assistant Secretary-General for Human Rights.

The Committee began the general discussion of the item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Mexico, Argentina, United States, Bolivia and the Russian Federation.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the International Labour Organisation, the World Bank and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization.

Advancement of women [103]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

*Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.19**

The representative of New Zealand (also on behalf of Australia and Canada) introduced and orally revised the draft resolution on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Antigua and Barbuda, the Bahamas, Belgium, Bhutan, Bolivia, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Costa Rica, Chile, Colombia, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the Dominican Republic, France, Greece, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Kyrgyzstan, Lesotho, Madagascar, the Marshall Islands, Micronesia (Federated States of), Morocco, Mozambique, Nepal, the Netherlands, Nigeria, Poland, the Republic of Moldova, Samoa, Sierra Leone, Swaziland, Thailand, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, the United Kingdom, Viet Nam and Zimbabwe.

*Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.21**

The representative of Norway introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Argentina, Bolivia, Bulgaria, Dominican Republic, Eritrea, Fiji, Germany, Guinea, Hungary, Liechtenstein, Madagascar, Panama, the Philippines, Poland, Republic of Moldova, Sierra Leone, Spain and Zaire.

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [105]

The Committee resumed its consideration of agenda item 105.

Draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.12

The representative of the Russian Federation, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, introduced the draft resolution.

Draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.15

The representative of Sudan introduced and orally revised the draft resolution.

It was announced that Bangladesh and Morocco had joined as co-sponsors of the draft resolution.

Draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.16

The representative of Jordan, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, introduced and orally revised the draft resolution.

It was announced that Costa Rica had joined as co-sponsor of the draft resolution.

Draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.20

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution has no programme budget implications.

The Secretary read out further revisions to the draft resolution.

It was announced that Afghanistan, Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Cape Verde, Chad, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, France, Dominican Republic, Malta, Mozambique, Niger, Nigeria, New Zealand, Peru, Poland, Sierra Leone, Solomon Islands, Swaziland, Thailand and Zaire had joined as co-sponsors of the draft resolution.

30th meeting

Promotion and protection of the rights of children [106]

The Committee heard a special presentation of the report on the Impact of Armed Conflict on Children.

The President of the General Assembly addressed the Committee.

The Secretary-General addressed the Committee.

The Expert of the Secretary-General introduced the report on the Impact of Armed Conflict on Children.

Statements were made by the Executive Director of the United Nations Children's Fund, the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, the Assistant Secretary-General for Human Rights, the Director and Special Representative of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and the Vice President of the International Committee of the Red Cross.

Statements were then made by the representatives of Mozambique, Ireland (on behalf of the European Union), Portugal, Botswana, Uruguay, the United States, the Netherlands, Cameroon, Costa Rica, Burundi and the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya.

The Expert of the Secretary-General made concluding remarks.

The Committee then began its consideration of the item and heard introductory statements by the Executive Director of the United Nations Children's Fund and the Assistant Secretary-General for Human Rights.

Organization of work

It was announced that, on Monday 11 November, at the end of the morning meeting, the Committee would hear the introduction of the draft resolution contained in document A/C.3/51/L.13 (Assistance to refugees, returnees and displaced persons in Africa). The Committee would also take action on the draft resolution contained in document A/C.3/51/L.14 (Enlargement of the Executive Committee of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, in addition to document A/C.3/51/L.9 (International action to combat drug abuse and illicit production and trafficking) which had been previously announced.

On Wednesday, 13 November, the Committee will take action on the draft resolutions A/C.3/51/L.19 (Improvement of the status of women in the Secretariat) and L.29 (Follow up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and full implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action).

It was also announced that the following time-limits would be set for statements delivered under agenda item 110 (b), (c), (d) and (e) (Human rights): for statements on one sub-item, the time limit would be 7 minutes. Statements of Secretariat officials would also be limited to 7 minutes; for delegation statements on two sub-items, the time limit would be 10 minutes; and for delegations speaking on all four sub-items, the time limit would be 15 minutes; the time limit for statements by groups of delegations would be a maximum of 25 minutes.

FIFTH COMMITTEE 24th and 25th meetings

Note: The summary of the 24th and 25th meetings of the Fifth Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1996/220).

SIXTH COMMITTEE 36th meeting

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its forty-eighth session [146]

Statements were made by the representatives of Italy, China, France, Morocco, Argentina, Jordan, Japan, Sri Lanka, Cameroon, Bulgaria, the Republic Islamic of Iran, Ukraine, Australia and Spain.

The Chairman also spoke.

AD HOC COMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE PROGRAMME OF THE UNITED NATIONS HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR REFUGEES FOR 1997

The President of the General Assembly (Malaysia) opened the meeting and made a statement. The Director of the UNHCR Liaison Office to United Nations Headquarters made a statement.

Statements and announcements regarding pledges were made by the representatives of Monaco, the United States, Denmark, Germany, the Republic of Korea, Norway, Sweden, Japan, Turkey, the Netherlands, Morocco, Liechtenstein, Algeria, Switzerland, Hungary, Malaysia, Austria, China, Belgium, the Holy See, Portugal and Sri Lanka.

The Chairman announced that pledges had also been received from Benin, Ghana, Lebanon and Djibouti.

A closing statement was made by the Director of the UNHCR Liaison Office.

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HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE
Fifty-eighth session
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1559th meeting

Consideration of communications under the Optional Protocol to the Covenant [6]

The Committee concluded in closed meeting its consideration of the item.

Submission of reports by State parties under article 40 of the Covenant [3]

The Committee then decided in a public meeting to schedule for consideration at its fifty-ninth session (New York from 24 March to 11 April 1997), the second periodic report of Bolivia, the fourth periodic report of Colombia, the initial report of Georgia, the third periodic report of India, the second periodic report of Lebanon and the third periodic report of Portugal in relation with Macau.

Closing of the session

The Chairman declared closed the Committee's fifty-eighth session.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Agreement Establishing the Bank for Economic Cooperation and Development in the Middle East and North Africa, done on 28 August 1996

Signature: Cyprus and Italy (8 November 1996)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of November has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:

Cameroon
H.E. Mr. Jean-Marc Mpay
Chargé d'affaires

Asian States:

Lebanon
H.E. Mr. Samir Moubarak

Eastern European States:

The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
H.E. Mr. Denko Maleski

Latin American and Caribbean States:

Jamaica
H.E. Miss M. Patricia Durrant

Western European and Other States:

Belgium
H.E. Mr. Alex Reyn

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Addendum

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Saturday, 9 November 1996

SECURITY COUNCIL

3710th meeting

accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The situation in Great Lakes region

Letter dated 7 November 1996 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/1996/916)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Burundi, Rwanda and Zaire, at their request, to participate in the discussion without the right to vote, in

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution, contained in document S/1996/921, which had been prepared in the course of the Council's prior consultations.

The Council then proceeded to the vote on the draft resolution before it (S/1996/921).

Decision: The draft resolution (S/1996/921) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1078 (1996).

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